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## TO PRINTERS.

For sale, several good imposing stones, suitable for either newspaper or job use; also a second-hand Forstner folding-machine in good order. Send address or apply to THE TIMES-MIRROR COMPANY.

Six large potato dealers in Boston have combined to form a potato trust, with a capital stock of \$400,000. Next!

EL MONTE is the latest applicant for incorporation. At this rate there will soon be no more villages in Southern California.

EUROPEAN dispatches state that John L. Sullivan is not making so much money in Europe as he did in this country, which fact rather raises the Europeans in our estimation.

A BILL introduced in the New York Legislature to make Chinese laundries give receipts in the English language was lost. The next thing in order will be a bill providing that hotel and restaurant bills of fare shall be printed in English.

The ignorance of most of the Eastern papers regarding California is only equaled by the ignorance of French editors regarding the geography of the world. A New York paper refers to Judge David S. Terry of California as having gained considerable notoriety by killing Senator Broderick in a duel "a year ago."

While California has but one-fiftieth of the population of the United States, its people have one-twentieth of the total savings deposits. Our eastern exchanges will please make a note of this further striking evidence of inflation in these parts. Even the savvies banks are inflated.

An account from the northwestern Arctic regions tells of bears, deer, and coyotes coming down to a cabin, to try and warm themselves at the fire they saw through the windows. In the morning, two big bears were found frozen to death outside the cabin door. A country where grizzly bears free to death is certainly no place for intelligent white men to remain in.

A PRIVATE letter received here from Council Bluffs, Iowa, dated January 30th, says:

"It will be a cold day that finds this state in the Red River for the last of December. Bless your soul! Your California can't begin to appreciate the country you live in. Just come out and try it one winter, and then go back and thank God that he ever made you a California man. Call for California. Don't be alarmed about emigration to California ever stopping. It never will till the State is choke full."

ANOTHER healthy woman has been sent to the San Francisco pesthouse, because she had a few pimples on her face. She was discharged at the end of four days, but caught the disease a few days later and had to be sent back again. It would seem to be about time for San Francisco to secure a health officer who knows smallpox when he sees it. A doctor with sense enough to prescribe Calicure soap in some cases might be a good investment for the city.

It is quite pleasant to see the authorities in charge of our streets making a few improvements, in the shape of cleaning gutters and laying wooden crossings here and there. Angelinos have suffered so long from neglect in this direction that they are apt to feel thankful for small mercies, but we trust the good work will now be pushed vigorously and unceasingly, so that by the beginning of the next rainy season all the principal streets may be in a passable condition.

The Northwestern Prohibitionist, a paper which is very desirous to see a third party in the field, abhors Francis Murphy, the apostle of the blue ribbon movement, because he prefers moral usage rather than attempts to make me, a moral by statute. Such indications as this strengthen the ground taken by those who claim that the Prohibitionists as a body are more anxious for political effect than for the amelioration of the condition of their fellow men.

## POINTS OF THE MORNING'S NEWS.

The Mayor of Santa Cruz indicted for embezeling bank funds... Bandit Ben's brother making trouble for the Mexican troops... Summary of the Queen's speech... Proceedings in Congress... Horticulturists at Riverside... Report of Government directors of Union Pacific... Murder of a Chicago millionaire... Claim jumpers' tragedy in Washington Territory... Grip-car accident at Kansas City... Scene at the walking match... A rumor about Santa Althea denied... Work progressing on the causeway... Charleston... Gladstone's return to England... Schooner Guadalupe ashore at San Buenaventura... Lord Lansdowne to be Governor-General of India... Suicide near Marysville... Members of the executive committee of the State Republican Club appointed... Murder and suicide at Galt, Ont... New Mexico threatened with floods... Democratic caucus at Washington... Trotting at Bay District... The Iowa Prohibition State Convention in session... Heavy failure at Springfield, Ohio... Passenger fares to be advanced on Southern Pacific.

The Growth of Southern California.

On a railroad train in Massachusetts the traveler passes a town or village about every five minutes on an average. With the present rapid growth in Southern California, it will not be long before the landscape of this section will be as thickly dotted with thriving settlements and growing towns as that of the Old Bay State. They are springing up everywhere on mesa and plain, and filling up rapidly with an intelligent, active and prosperous population. It will not be many years before this fair South California will be a land thick set with thriving towns and populous cities, with no lonely and unoccupied territory in the intervals between them. The pleasant farm house with its vineyard and orange grove will make fair the solitary places.

Farming, or ranch life, in Southern California is not as objectionable as it is in colder climates. There are no long and dreary winters, no extended periods of bad weather to make the life upon the ranch an isolated one. It need not be solitary. It will not be so as the country fills up, and homes, as well as new towns, are more thickly planted. Fair weather and good roads can generally be had, and there are no blockading snowdrifts, no blizzards, cyclones nor long weeks of storm to keep the farmer and his family prisoners upon their land. There is no life so free and independent, that has so many charms and so many delightful attractions as the pleasant ranch life of semi-tropical California. Under his own vine and fig tree a man may sit with vineyards stretching out before him, with orange orchards brightening the landscape, and Nature on every hand smiling with plenty.

The will of N. D. Combs has been opened at Marysville. The estate is valued at between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Gen. P. F. Walsh, formerly Registrar of Voters in San Francisco, has been appointed to an office in the branch mint at that place.

J. B. Quigley has been appointed freight and passenger agent of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad at Los Angeles.

Capt. J. S. Lawson of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, who has been assigned to his home in San Francisco for the last week by a severe attack of rheumatism, is recovering rapidly.

**POLITICS AND POLITICIANS.**

Protection on what he has to sell and free trade in what he has to buy is James H. Lowell's platform on the tariff question.

Bernal's body has been buried at Cosala. It was publicly exhibited for a number of days.

**NEW MEXICO THREATENED WITH FLOOD.**

ALBUQUERQUE (N. M.), Feb. 8.—Apprehensions are felt among persons living along the Rio Grande that on account of the snow melting in the mountains the river will overflow its banks, submerging the country for miles and washing away northern mountains have been extremely great, and is reported from four to six feet on a level. The Rio Grande also derives its floods to a great extent from snow, and it is stated that the basin this winter is almost on a level full of snow, the greatest fall ever known. The threatened damage is principally in counties south of Santa Fe.

**TROTTING AT BAY DISTRICT.**

EL MONTE, Feb. 8.—The trotting season of 1888 was inaugurated at Bay District track by two events today, the first of which was a match for \$500 between Big Jim and American Girl, and was won by the former in two straight beats. Best time, 2:58.

Brown Ditch then won the three in five heats sweepstakes at Bay District, 2:56.

**LAY DOWN AND DIED.**

MARYSVILLE, Feb. 8.—Woodchoppers found near town this morning the remains of a man who had evidently committed suicide. The body of eight months ago by laying down on the ground shooting himself through the mouth with a pistol, which was found lying, rusted, at his side. On his person was found a copy of a paper bearing the name of R. H. Bolt.

**BELIGERENT INSURANCE MEN.**

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8.—Shipping circles are greatly alarmed as to the whereabouts of the British steamers Darien, Lafran and Algeira. All three, each with a crew of about 25 men, sailed from Cardigan early in December for Carthage to load iron ore for Philadelphia. No tidings have been received from them.

**THE DEMOCRACY ENTHUSIASTIC.**

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 8.—W. B. English, a citizen of San Francisco, has been a director of the Bank of Supervisors, and the National Convention held here, and a member of the Board of Supervisors. A meeting of the County Convention has been called to further the object, and the leading Democrats are moving enthusiastically in the matter.

**RAPID TRANSIT TO PASADENA.**

California and Texas.

The South Pasadena Notes.

The real estate market in this place continues firm and the outlook bright.

Several good sales are on the tapis, and will be consummated at an early date.

The South Pasadena people complain of the inefficiency of the telephone system, it being almost impossible to get a call or an answer over the line passing through this place.

The salient element seems to recognize that there is a haven, but the citizens, if pushed too far, are liable to imitate the good people of Whittier, and some fine morning nothing will mark their location but a mass a smoking ashes.

D. M. Graham has purchased a fine span of sorrel horses, which are rapidly becoming popular with driving parties.

South Pasadena has as a citizen a gentleman lately from the East who is anxious to meet some sprinter in a 100-yard match for \$100 to \$150 a side.

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The Southwestern Immigration Association held a convention last week in San Antonio, Texas, four hundred delegates being present. The Secretary, in his address, referred to the well-known "fact" that the California craze had long since "reached its refulgent tide," and that capital and population are now floating toward Southwestern Kansas and Nebraska. Lands

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**FUNERAL OF A PIONEER.**

PORTLAND (Ore.), Feb. 8.—The funeral of the late Judge J. Quinn Thornton, a venerable pioneer who died on Monday, was held from the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Salem, this morning.

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## WASHINGTON.

Hopeful View of the Chinese Question.

Senate Says the New Treaty Will Keep the Heathens at Home.

A Greasy Subject Illustrated Before the Senate Committee.

Washington Sets Up a Lively Rumpus, but is Soon Suppressed—Proceedings in the Senate Committee on Labor Agitated.

Washington's Efforts to the Test. WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—[By the Associated Press.] Mr. Belmont, chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, said today that he understood that a draft of the proposed Chinese treaty had been submitted to the Chinese Minister, containing such modifications as to insure the complete exclusion of the class of immigrants to which the people of the western world belong. He believed that within a month we would have a treaty effectually disposing of the question. Any treaty arrangement of course, have to be supplemented by legislation, perhaps, in some treaty negotiations with Great Britain, superseding the India of China labor by way of Hong Kong and Vancouver.

FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

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W. K. Cris has been appointed postmaster of Sierra Madre, Los Angeles county.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

GLENDALE, Feb. 8.—[Correspondence of THE TIMES.] A morning mail service from Los Angeles is now about the only unsupplied want of the average Glendale, to run his cup of happiness completely over. Existence the long day through without the morning paper, borders on the deplorable. Can't THE TIMES contrive some plan of extrication from the piercing pangs of this protracted newspaper famine.

The three great orange orchards of Glendale, belonging to Capt. Thom. Judge Ross and Mr. Crow, are ripening their fruit in excellent condition. Sheltered by the Verdugo Mountains that tower above and around them, have been visited the winter through with scarcely a suggestion of frost.

Judge Ross' Glendale villa is receiving furniture and being put in order for his Honor's summer residence. A dozen or more new dwellings are nearing completion, and many who "dwell in tents" or "inured in barns during the winter" will soon be quartered in cozy cottages.

Glendale people are justly proud of their grand avenue, the grading and surfacing of which they have just completed. Some three miles in length, 100 feet wide and on a straight line, with Verdugo on the east and Kenilworth on the west, and between a line of trees, it is a picture of beauty and attractiveness the fair Euclid avenue of Cleveland, O.

Positive assurance is now given of the completion of the Los Angeles and Glendale dummy line of railway within the next 30 days. Seven carloads of rails, side tracked at Denning for six weeks past, are on the ground, and the dummy track-laying will be pushed with vigor.

Let it not be forgotten that Glendale wants and must have a morning mail.

N. C. B.

TROPICO.

TROPICO, Feb. 8.—[Correspondence of THE TIMES.] The county has completed an excellent piece of work on the old San Fernando wagon road. From the Three-mile House to Tropico it has been nicely graded up and smoothed off, making it one of the best drives in the county.

The Tropico school, under the direction of Miss Flora Denton and Prof. Hayes, has an enrollment of over 100 pupils. A grammar school, under the direction of Prof. Barrett, is also in progress, with a good attendance.

A discourse on temperance by a lady lecturer was delivered to a fair audience in the Presbyterian Church Tuesday evening.

It had been speaking for a few moments that Mr. Butler suggested that the Queen of Virginia should allow the press to proceed with its business.

Mr. Butler suggested that the Queen of Virginia, however, did not interrupted, and he continued in his remarks.

Mr. Harris asked to make a suggestion.

Mr. M. Middleberger replied, jocularly, that he could only do so in executive order.

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## LETTERS TO THE TIMES.

The Postoffice Site. Los Angeles, Feb. 8.—[To the Editor of THE TIMES.] It seems incredible that the United States Government can be induced to move our local postoffice for the next five years more than three-quarters of a mile away from the business center of this city; or, to state the case differently, that it will permit the location of the central office where the postal service of 75,000 people is to be centered, for one year, to be subjected to the whims of anti-state speculators. To show in clear relief the absurdity, not to say simplicity, of such unbusiness-like methods and the utter disregard of the convenience of the people and of the interests of the Government, let us imagine Wells, Fargo & Co., to be the same sensuous methods. Instead of continually considering the convenience of its patrons and always keeping in close relation with them, suppose, in looking for quarters, that great model corporation should advertise (for about four days) for bids and then accept the cheapest that sharp land speculators anywhere within a mile of town, who desired to buy their particular property, should offer? And then suppose, that the local agent (who, by the way, has business sense; and I beg his pardon for supposing, even by way of illustration, that he could possibly be capable of such folly) should charge that the fault was all the people's because they did not rush to the rescue of the offerers? For my part, I would not pay \$6000 a year, or near the business or street-railroad center; and, finally, to complete the analogy of folly, suppose that that self-styled, "representative body," the Board of Trade, should lugubriously indorse and "unanimously approve" such a hideous face, and in view of the universal kicking that would supervene, should telegraph to headquarters in New York that they would send their illustrious "endorsement in full by mail!"

Wells, Fargo & Co. do a similar business in many respects to that undertaken by the Post Office Department of the United States Government; and they do it on business principles, i.e., in the best and most efficient way that it can be done. The Post Office Department spends quarters in any town or city in any part of the country if it selects them in an eligible locality as a private party having sense, and not an idiot, would do, and then pays for them what they are fairly worth, instead of begging them for nothing, or even accepting them for a small pittance, like a tramp or dead-beat. It is humiliating to every self-respecting citizen of our great Republic that our Government should descend to such contemptible methods in any branch of the public service. If such methods would disgrace a corporation or business firm, they certainly are discreditable to the Government. Besides inconveniencing and exasperating the community, they are the source of endless vexation.

The income that our local postoffice yields—\$76,000 to \$100,000 a year—entitles our people to decent treatment—which the proposed change, if consummated, is not. Even conceding that the city is growing toward the southwest, and that the Government lot on Main street, between 5th and 6th and Fifth, will be central five years hence, that is no reason why, during the intervening time, the postoffice should be located half a mile still further away from the present business center. The people of Los Angeles should hold a grand mass meeting and protest against the impending outrage. H. D. B.

## Besse Bands and Coal.

SOUTH PASADENA, Feb. 7.—[To the Editor of THE TIMES.] In your otherwise kindly and encouraging mention of the Elsmore coal mine in Tuesday's issue you share a little of a misapprehension. The coal trade which has directed so much attention to your city was not planned or executed by any of the mine owners. The fuel speaks for itself and all we can get out, amounting to two cars per day, is eagerly consumed by the people. A dealer has now made arrangements to take half the amount per day for Los Angeles.

The residents and land-owners of Elsmore are justly proud of their mineral resources and I think ought to be pardoned whatever excess of zeal they may have shown in the way of presenting the coal as a solid advertisement of their advantages. Cheap fuel brings them settlers, factories and reduced living expenses. If, then, "Was a jolly old King Cole," and being such, "He called for his adders three," and then proceeded to parade the streets of Los Angeles in a modern fashion, it should occasion little surprise when everybody is glad he's taken up winter quarters in our midst. D. M. GRAHAM.

## THE COURTS.

Proceedings Before the Judges and Justices. The following business was transacted yesterday by the various courts:

## JUDGE TANEY.

In the case of P. W. Arthur et al., the court decided it had not the jurisdiction to try the offense and the prosecution thereof was therefore dismissed.

Information was filed charging Parker Robbins and William Stewart with assault with intent to murder and February 20th was adjourned to their arraignment.

## JUDGE O'NEILLY.

The master of the habeas corpus of Henry Kegel was heard and taken under advisement.

Nettie Shine was granted a divorce from Jerry Shinn and given the custody of the minor child.

Carl Jorgensen, a native of Denmark, was admitted to citizenship upon taking the oath of allegiance.

## JUDGE GARDNER.

Donald M. McDonald of Ontario, California, was admitted to practice in this court. M. J. Bannerman was examined and admitted to practice in the Superior Court of the State.

The will of Thomas Bannerman was admitted to probate.

The hearing of the petition for probate of will of Nancy Workman was continued until February 11th.

Letters of administration were granted Thomas Melinais for the estate of Catharine Simeon.

## JUDGE HUTTON.

In the cause of Russell vs. Taneys the former order subsuming this matter to the court was affirmed and the prosecution thereof was therefore dismissed.

The cause of Lewis vs. McCarthy was continued informally.

The cause of Southern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Hill et al. was continued for the session; also that of Southern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Coble.

The action of Howell vs. Shanson was continued for the session.

In the cause of Rose vs. Briggs findings and judgment for defendant were signed and filed.

In the cause of Goldsworth vs. Niemeyer, the plaintiff was given 10 days to answer complaint.

The cause of Brown vs. Pasadena Lake Valley Land and Water Company was continued in the same manner; also, the cause of Guirado vs. Harvey et al.

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defendant was given 15 days' further time in which to answer.

## JUSTICE TANEY.

James Fob and John Perry were fined \$7 each for disturbing the peace.

Six vagrants were fined in sums from \$5 to \$10.

The examination of H. M. Boyce was set for February 14th.

In the cause of Dryden vs. Weed and Hurst, a judge was ordered for trial.

Michael Daley pleaded guilty to the charge of petit larceny and was fined \$20.

Charles Morton was arraigned on the charge of embezzlement in his case set for examination February 16th.

## JUSTICE ALDRIDGE.

Four drunks were fined in sums from \$1 to \$5.

Two vagrants were fined \$25 each.

John A. Wong, Ah Own et al., for violating a gambling room was confined until February 9th.

The trial of Otto Silberberg and Julius Ott for mail and telegraph interference was continued until February 11th.

The trial of John Kelly for vagrancy will take place today.

In the case of Rosa Harris, charged with attempt to kill, the jury found a verdict of guilty, and the defendant was discharged.

The trial of Edith Dene for vagrancy will take place today.

James F. T. Arthur, A. McKinley and H. J. Martin was continued until February 11th.

Harry Williams and James Bailey will be tried for robbery today.

David Little failed to appear to answer to the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, and his bond of \$100 was forfeited.

Al Lock was fined \$5 for disturbing the peace.

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## BOYCE-SEAMANS.

SEAMANS AND KOSTER ARE ARRESTED.

The Plot Thickens—Deputy District Attorney Dunlap and Koster Write Letters—What the Various Actors Have to Say for Themselves.

There were several new developments in the Boyce-Seamans case yesterday, and several parties not hitherto mentioned have come to the front. Two of the morning papers yesterday contained the following correspondence, which, so far as trees, explains itself:

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

"Los Angeles, Feb. 7, 1888.

"Mr. John Koster, of the firm of Col. and Mr. Koster in this office against you for obtaining money under false pretenses connected with the Victor Marble stock, and for the purpose of payment in full of amount before information is laid before a magistrate, but not afterwards.

The complaint, you say, is not yet filed. The trial date is set for February 8th, and you will be prosecuted if the money is not paid by that time. The complaint against you is something in the nature of those against Boyce and Seamans, and has no connection with any civil suit.

"Mr. White urges that the criminal proceedings commence at once, but I have no objection to wait a week or two, this being given you an opportunity to refund, knowing that once in a criminal court, the matter must go through and cannot be fixed up. Truly,

J. B. DUNLAP.

"Los Angeles, Feb. 7, 1888.

"Mr. J. B. Dunlap, Deputy District Attorney—Sir: I am sorry at a loss to know what you are doing, whether you are for the man White referred to, or as Deputy District Attorney of Los Angeles county.

"As all events, the object of your extraordinary communication is to extort from me the purchase price of a block of stock in the Victor Marble Company, which I have in good faith sold to said

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## POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

## THEY MEET AND TALK POLICE MATTERS OVER.

A Lot of Saloon Licenses Refused—A Proposition to Make Detective Agencies Give Bonds for the Honest Discharge of Their Duty.

The Board of Police Commissioners met yesterday afternoon at the Mayor's office, with Mayor Workman, President Humphrey and Chief Cuddy present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The conduct of Short Bros. for furnishing uniforms for the police for the year was approved.

All the applications for saloon licenses approved by the Chief of Police were granted.

The application of P. Ballado for a saloon license on Main street near Ninth, caused considerable discussion. Petitions were presented both for and against the license, but it was finally decided that that portion of Main street was business property, and the application was granted.

The application of Andrew Furburg for 207 Commercial street, to maintain a drinking saloon, was denied.

C. F. Bragg was asked last night whether he had made on the streets, to the effect that he had made a combination between himself and Mr. Koster.

The combination was denied, and the defendant is to stand trial on the 8th.

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